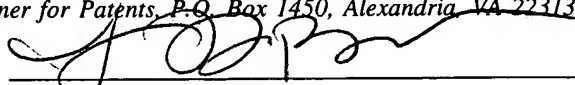




IFW

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on May 31, 2005.


Lisa D. Bronk

Applicant : Kristine B. Fuimaono Confirmation No. 6472
Application No. : 10/747,774
Filed : December 29, 2003
Title : IRRIGATION PROBE FOR ABLATION DURING OPEN HEART
SURGERY
Grp./Div. : 3763
Examiner : To be assigned
Docket No. : 51638/AW/W112

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
37 CFR § 1.97(b)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

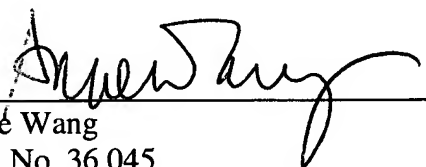
Post Office Box 7068
Pasadena, CA 91109-7068
May 31, 2005

Commissioner:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, and in accordance with the provisions in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure §§ 609 and 707.05(b), enclosed is FORM PTO/SB/08A/B listing the references that are known to applicant. This filing is timely because it is made during one of the periods described in 37 CFR § 1.97(b).

It is respectfully requested that the listed references be considered in the examination of this application and identified on the list of references cited on the patent issuing for this application. Applicant also requests that an initialed copy of FORM PTO/SB/08A/B be entered in the application file and returned to applicant with the next communication from the Office in accordance with MPEP § 609.

Respectfully submitted,
CHRISTIE, PARKER & HALE, LLP

By 
Anne Wang
Reg. No. 36,045
626/795-9900

Enclosures: PTO/SB/08A/B
LDB PAS626005.1-*05/27/05 5:41 PM

FORM PTO/SB/08A/B (10-01)
Substitute for PTO-1449A/B

Attorney Docket Number

51638/AW/W112

Application Number

10/747,774

Filing Date

December 29, 2003

Applicant(s)

Kristine B. Fuimaono

Group Art Unit

3763

Examiner Name

To be assigned

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(use as many sheets as necessary)

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

| EXAMINER INITIALS | Cite No. ¹ | DOCUMENT NUMBER Number - Kind Code ² (If Known) | PUBLICATION DATE MM-DD-YYYY | NAME OF PATENTEE |
|----------------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| | | 5,433,708 | 07-18-1995 | Nichols, et al. |
| | | 5,437,662 | 08-01-1995 | Nardella |
| | | 5,555,883 | 09-17-1996 | Avitall |
| | | 5,605,539 | 02-25-1997 | Buelna, et al. |
| | | 5,730,127 | 03-24-1998 | Avitall |
| | | 5,895,417 | 04-20-1999 | Pomeranz, et al. |
| | | 5,921,924 | 07-13-1999 | Avitall |
| | | 5,951,546 | 09-14-1999 | Lorentzen |
| | | 6,032,077 | 02-29-2000 | Pomeranz |
| | | 6,068,629 | 05-30-2000 | Haissaguerre, et al. |
| | | 6,071,279 | 06-06-2000 | Whayne, et al. |
| | | 6,076,012 | 06-13-2000 | Swanson, et al. |
| | | 6,176,857 | 01-23-2001 | Ashley |
| | | 6,325,797 | 12-04-2001 | Stewart, et al. |
| | | 6,332,881 | 12-25-2001 | Carner, et al. |
| | | 6,416,505 | 07-09-2002 | Fleischman, et al. |

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

| EXAMINER INITIALS | Cite No. ¹ | Foreign Patent Document Country Code ³ - Number ⁴ - Kind Code ⁵ (If Known) | Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY | Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document | T ⁶ (✓) |
|----------------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| | | | | | |

LDB PAS625881.1-*05/27/05 5:41 PM

EXAMINER
SIGNATURE

DATE
CONSIDERED

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.pto.gov or MPEP 901.4. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO standard ST.3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English Language Translation is attached.

Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

AW/ldb

Sheet 1 of 1